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## PROGRESS OF EASTERN WAR

After Heavy Slaughter and Hard Fighting On Both Sides There is a Lull

### KUROPAKIN IS PLANNING A BLOW

A Report of the Concentration of 20,000 Russians Northeast of Liao Yang Gives Rise to the Belief That His Attack May Take That Direction—Port Arthur Fleet Said to be Outside the Harbor—Cold Causing Suffering Among the Troops.

So far as the dispatches from the Far East show, there has been no change in relative positions of the hostile armies confronting each other on the line of the Shakes river. There is an unconfirmed report that a Russian force of 20,000 men have been concentrated at Kauta Pass, 20 miles northeast of Liao Yang, which may be indicative of the direction in which Kuropakian is to strike his next blow. Upwards of 20,000 of the Russian soldiers wounded in the battle of Shakes have reached Harbin. Cold weather is causing suffering to the armies in the field, although it has wrought an improvement in the conditions for the movements of troops. A report has reached St. Petersburg, out lacks confirmation, that the Port Arthur fleet has left its anchorage in the harbor and is taking up a position in the roadstead.

Kuropakian Will Try Again.

St. Petersburg, By Cable.—There is no change in the relative position of the armies on the Shakes river. General Sakharov telegraphs that the Russians have been bombarding Lantung and the Buddhist temple at Linshingpo, while the Japanese have been shelling the Russian position at Shakes and near Linshingpo. An Associated Press dispatch from Mukden reports that the Japanese are fortifying an important height south of Shakes, and that neither side shows a disposition either to advance nor retire.

Another Associated Press dispatch from the Russian front says the situation is not yet ripe for the resumption of the offensive. This measure but significant admission, all that the censor allows to pass over the wires, doubtless indicates that General Kuropakian is maturing important plans and distributing his forces in readiness for another attempt to break the Japanese resistance.

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NO. 11.  
"LAWLESSNESS WALKED THE STATE LIKE A PESTILENCE."

GOVERNOR AYCOCK STATED IN HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS THAT UNDER, AND THEREFORE BY IMPLICATION IN CONSEQUENCE OF, FUSION RULE "LAWLESSNESS WALKED THE STATE LIKE A PESTILENCE, CRIME STALKED ABRAD AT NOON-DAY, SLEEP LAY DOWN WITH ALARM AND THE SOUND OF THE PISTOL WAS MORE FREQUENT THAN THE SONG OF THE MOCKING BIRD." HOW STANDS THE CASE TO-DAY GOVERNOR? HAVEN'T THE ACTS OF THREE RED-SHIRT LEGISLATURES AND MORE THAN TWO YEARS OF YOUR OWN BENEFICENT RULE PASSED INTO HISTORY SINCE YOU PROCLAIMED THE FOREGOING? WHEN YOU ARE CAVORTING OVER THE STATE WHOOPING FOR EDUCATION AND ROADS DON'T YOU HEAR OF MORE CRIMES BEING COMMITTED IN NORTH CAROLINA THAN EVER BEFORE AND DO YOU CONTINUE TO ATTRIBUTE THESE TO FUSION RULE?

DISTURBANCE IN DULIN.

Last Sunday's Morning Post is authority for the statement that in Duplin County, N. C., in this year of grace, a condition exists on account of which the political situation is much mixed in that blooming region of uncontested Democratic ascendancy.

It is stated that the Democratic convention made an order submitting the question of road tax to the voters of the county and then went on to legislate further to the effect that only those who vote for the Democratic nominees on the day of election shall be eligible to vote on the road tax question. The writer adds that this order has raised quite a disturbance among those who will not vote for the Democratic nominees and who own property. Some Democrats, the writer goes on to state, are opposed to the manner of holding the election as undemocratic; and certain Republicans are men enough to claim that they have been disfranchised.

So it appears there are still some democrats whose sense of fairness and justice rebels against undemocratic methods notwithstanding the Simmons label. Talk about taxation without representation! Prate about governments deriving their powers only through and by the consent of the governed! Ye who masquerade under the pseudonym democracy and arrogate to yourselves the virtues and the patriotism of Jefferson, was there ever in the history of political parties an act of despotism more arbitrary, more vicious, more unblushingly proscriptive and subversive of true democratic principles? Is it not strange that a republican could be found in that mob-ridden county with audacity enough to complain at being disfranchised? And is it not still more paradoxical that democrats, so-called, of the Simmons-Aycock school could perpetrate such treason as to repudiate an act of legislation by a democratic (?) convention? What if it did rob him and his republican neighbor of their hard-earned cash? Is it not the settled policy of that party to extort money from the people by unlawful means with which to defend thieves and pay political debts? How dare the people of Duplin County complain? Isn't the decree of a democratic convention supreme? By what authority does the writer impugn the motives or question the methods whereby any part of the machine program is carried out? Haven't the people of Duplin as in many other counties, bowed their heads in mock submission to the Simmons Juggernaut, and for six long years surrendered the last vestige of liberty to act upon their own judgment or initiative, and subordinated every other consideration to that of pushing the party machine along without stopping to inquire about why forces and whereabouts or questions of wisdom and honesty in government?

The spectacle of a little democratic organization assembling an aggregation of party heelers and proceeding to pass a law which exacts money in taxes from the people, at the same time passing an edict that only democrats shall be allowed to vote on the question, outrageous as it is, in keeping with their machine methods when so firmly entrenched as to fear no opposition. Let the people enjoy it, and feast and fatten upon it if they can. It is a condition of their own making. Be it remembered that Duplin County was a seething hot bed of red-shirtness in 1898 and 1900.

AND THIS IS THE BEGINNING. The following article on Democratic high taxes is being circulated in Wake county:

"There are two ways of raising taxes. One is by raising the rate of tax the other by raising the assessment. The last Legislature found the rate of tax as high as the Constitution would permit, and it could not raise that rate, but it determined to get more tax out of the people, and it undertook to raise the assessment of property. The Machinery Act provided that one member of the Corporation Commission should go to every county in the State and instruct the assessors how to assess property, and all the instructions given were with a view of getting more taxes and putting a higher valuation on the property. The Legislature then provided that property was not to be assessed at its cash value, or its auction value but in the way that property is usually sold, that is, on time, and the law requires this method of assessment of property in this State. They have a Corporation Commission to force the assessment up to the throat latch. In Raleigh township there was almost a revolution. The Democratic candidate for the Legislature, Mr. Stroach, in a public letter published in the News and Observer, said he had fought in the war four years, and would fight four more to prevent this injustice. Other citizens brought suit to enjoin this excessive taxation of their property, but the Democratic Court gave them no relief. This method of raising taxes—that is, by raising the value—is without limit.

"They raised property last year heavily; they will need more taxes next year, and they are already publishing pieces in the papers stating that property is selling for two or three times what it is assessed for. They are preparing the public for another raise in the assessment of land. If you don't believe this, compare the tax on your house and lot or your farm this year and see if it is not higher than you ever had to pay before under Republicans, Fusionists, Russell, or anybody else. See if your tax is not higher than it has ever been since North Carolina was made a State, and this is the beginning."

WHICH IS THE WISER COURSE? There is in substance no difference in the position of the Administration and the position which Judge Parker assumes, save in a matter of detail, and it is a question as to which course is the wiser. But if we are to believe former Governor Taft and the present Governor of the island, General Wright, who is a Southern man, an ex-Confederate soldier and a Democrat, then it is unwise to make them such a promise till they are ready to assume such responsibilities of government. Every one in a position to know has stated that such a promise would retard the very purpose in view. If they are correct then it would be unwise to attempt the experiment proposed by Judge Parker, which could not improve conditions, and might make them worse. The question is not at issue whether or not we should be in the Philippine Islands. We are there and we are there by the action of Congress, which action was supported by members of all parties, including Mr. Bryan and his personal influence with his political friends in Congress. Therefore the only question that can now be a political issue is how to perform our duty there.

WHAT WE HAVE DONE FOR THE FILIPINOS. We have given the Filipinos the liberty enjoyed by the citizens of the United States, and as citizens of the Philippine Islands they are assured of the protection of the United States throughout the world. Now, what more have we done for the Filipinos? When the roar of the guns of our naval vessels died on the shores of Manila Bay and Spanish authority over those islands died with their echoes, liberty was not even a dream to that people. No native inhabitant of that soil aspired to a government assuring individual liberty. In criminal procedure, on arrest, the prisoner was denied the right of counsel; then followed secret examination which was afterwards used against him; on trial he was denied the right of cross-examination of witnesses; his guilt was presumed and the burden of proof was upon him to establish his innocence; there was no habeas corpus.

On the civil side in the administration of justice as by their practice, the courts were purchasable; by the allowance of interlocutory appeals, instead of appealing only from final judgments, suits were practically interminable; a single issue was unknown to their jurisprudence; the course of justice was ever subject to extrajudicial influences; freedom of religious thought and worship did not exist; there were no public schools and interest in education was confined to the very few; the resistance of the authority of Spain and subsequently the resistance of the authority of the United States, had no higher motive than the personal power of self-constituted leaders, and no broader knowledge of liberty than Spain had taught. The United States has changed all this. We have planted there the habeas corpus; the presumption of innocence in criminal trials; certainty and a single issue in pleading; judicial purity; the right of representation by counsel; the right of cross-examination of witnesses; the public school and freedom of religious thought and act. We are about to establish a representative legislature. These are practical and logical steps towards preparing the people for self-government.

The democratic party is getting rattled, they see there is apathy and disgust among the rank and file in their own party, and in their confusion have dug a deep well and then fell into it. "So let Winston purge if he will. But he is foul and filthy still; it is a condition of their own making. Be it remembered that Duplin County was a seething hot bed of red-shirtness in 1898 and 1900.

ROOSEVELT VS. PARKER. (Continued from 1st page.)

delighted to know that you endorse the views expressed in my interviews, and that you will support President Roosevelt.

I am especially gratified to know that the Populists in your section will support him practically as a solid body, and, besides, that there are many Democrats who will also support him.

In response to your several inquiries will say that Judge Parker, in his letter of acceptance, showed more directness and spirit than in his speech of acceptance several weeks earlier; and in a certain way that he attempts to establish substantially the contention which you say that the Democratic papers and politicians are putting forth in his behalf. But to comply with your request, let us look at the charges and claims in detail:

### THAT PROMISE (?) TO THE PHILIPPINES.

1st. Judge Parker, in his letter, attacked the Administration in general terms on its Philippine policy, but concludes by admitting that if he is elected President he will not be in favor of giving the Filipinos independence at once, but says that he is in favor of making a promise to them now that they shall have independence whenever he and his party think they are ready for it. But he holds out no hopes as to when that time will come. His position differs from that of President Roosevelt only in that the President thinks it best for the Filipinos and our administration of the islands not to make a promise of independence now, while no one knows, or will predict, when they will be in a condition to receive it. He believes that we should proceed to give them, as fast as possible, more and more of self-government, and thus fit them by experience, as soon as we can, to receive a large measure of participation in self-government.

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There is in substance no difference in the position of the Administration and the position which Judge Parker assumes, save in a matter of detail, and it is a question as to which course is the wiser. But if we are to believe former Governor Taft and the present

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the President, the cry went up from Wall Street and the trusts or gins daily, with or without apparent provocation, that the "President is rash and unsafe."

The American people are fast learning the truth, and as they learn it they find that the same powerful monopoly influences that backed President Cleveland for his nomination and election, and whose influence with the Cleveland administration amounted to a national scandal, are the same influences that backed the candidacy of Judge Parker for the nomination that captured the St. Louis Convention, and are now supporting Judge Parker for election. These are the influences that raise the cry, "That the President is rash and unsafe."

No official has ever yet fearlessly and honestly enforced the law, that did not arouse the opposition of those who break the law or who seek special privileges and fail to secure them.

"No rogue ere felt the halter draw With good opinion of the law."

Do you read Mr. Dooley? Did you read recently a discussion by him of the Presidential candidates, in which the following occurred:

"Say, Mr. Dooley, they say that Mr. Parker, the sage of Esopus, is a safe man," said Mr. Hennessey.

"Oh, I don't know; it may be so," said Mr. Dooley. "He may be safe, but I say, Hennessey, I'd like it a great deal better if Dave Hill isn't August Belmont didn't have th' combination to that that's safe."

There is whole volume of truth in this observation by Mr. Dooley. Next to David B. Hill there was no single individual, who for at least a year before the St. Louis Convention was more active in promoting and financing Judge Parker's candidacy than was Angus Belmont. And who is Belmont? He is the American agent in Wall Street of the Rothschilds of London, and he is the man with whom President Cleveland made that monstrous secret bond deal. The interests that backed Mr. Cleveland knew what they were doing, and reaped their reward. They said that Mr. Cleveland was "safe." The same influences are now backing Judge Parker, and they expect to reap their reward, and they say that Judge Parker is "safe and conservative," and at the same time they cry aloud that "President Roosevelt is rash and unsafe."

Let those who have rejoiced in and enjoyed the great prosperity of this country under present conditions and policies, stop to consider who it is that would like a change. Let those who love American institutions and who are lifted with hope when they see a servant of the people administering the greatest office within their gift show courage, independence, wisdom, and patriotism in his every act, stop to consider who it is that is interested to raise the cry, that such an official is "rash and unsafe."

Since you did not see all of my interview, permit me to call your attention to the following statement which appeared therein:

### A STRIKING CONTRAST.

"Besides, the contrast between what the President and his Administration has accomplished and are now advancing to completion, and what Mr. Parker, and his associates promise they will do if placed in power, even if every promise be accepted as a verity (even if we should forget the sad conditions under the Cleveland Administration), is enough to call for a rousing verdict for the re-election of President Roosevelt."

"Surely there can be no one who desire to exchange present conditions for a return to the depression and paralyzation, resulting in hard times to the people, and bad issues on the part of the Government, which existed under the Cleveland Administration, and, yet, the election of Parker, if he should reinstate the Cleveland policy, as he promises to do, would certainly result in similar conditions."

"Why should the American people take any chances? Why not let well enough alone, and, indeed, why not at the same time continue the present wholesome, progressive, patriotic policies which have resulted in prosperity at home and increased prestige and honor abroad?"

In conclusion, permit me to say that I have an abiding faith in the wisdom and patriotism of the American people, when such conditions and great issues are so clearly and strongly contrasted, that they will vote by an overwhelming majority to sustain the President in his progressive and beneficial policies.

Yours very truly,  
MARION BUTLER.

Judge Parker says everything is going to the bad in the Philippines. Gov. Wright, a Democrat, says it isn't so. Has Parker ever been to the Philippines? Gov. Wright is there and he ought to know.

Read the article in this paper, headed: "Roosevelt vs. Parker." It contains facts that will interest you.

### RALEIGH DISPENSARY VIOLATES THE LAW.

Management Has to Pay a Penalty and Take Out Wholesale License--Managers May Be Indicted.

The Raleigh Post last Friday made known the fact that the Raleigh Dispensary had been selling by the barrel to a restaurant and to others in Raleigh, which could not be legally done without a wholesale license, and even though it would seem that if the Watts' law was any good at all, it would prevent such wholesale business. However, a federal officer waited upon the management of the dispensary and requested the manager to take out a wholesale license. The manager wanted the federal officer to go with him to see the dispensary attorney, but the officer did not have time to chase over town to see a lawyer, and in fact was not looking for a lawyer, but was looking for money for a license and a penalty for violating the law. When the dispensary management saw that the federal officer understood his business the money was paid over without further delay. The Post says that United States Commissioner John Nichols said he would issue a warrant for the arrest of each of the three dispensary commissioners, the manager and the other employees, if anyone will make the complaint before him.

The dispensary did a rushing business last week, it is said they "took in" about \$250 per minute for one or two days last week. We had been told that the dispensary was intended to decrease the sales of intoxicants, but the object now seems to be to sell as much as possible, so as to justify the managers of increasing the salaries of the officers.

### THE FRED DOUGLASS INCIDENT ECLIPSED.

Democratic Judge and Bar Adjourn in Honor of a Dead Negro--Is This an Appeal for the Negro Vote?

Charlotte News and Courier.

We have seen nothing so much of our negro-loving Northern contemporaries to match the very remarkable incident that occurred at Lancaster, South Carolina, yesterday. When the court convened there yesterday morning Mr. R. E. Allison, the oldest member of the Lancaster bar, announced the death of Bishop Isham Clinton, of the African Methodist church, and moved that the court adjourn in respect to his memory until Monday next. The motion was seconded by Major Wylie, of the Lancaster bar, and by Solicitor Henry. The speakers all paid proper tribute to the lamented dead, and Judge Watts granted the motion and ordered the adjournment of the court, expressing his high appreciation of the character and services of the Bishop to his people and to the cause of religion.

Bishop Clinton was a negro and had been exercising the office of the ministry for more than fifty years. He was a slave in his early life and lived at peace with his white neighbors all his life. They knew him and he knew them and between them existed the kindest relations. So deeply had he impressed the people with the earnestness of his religion and the good quality of his citizenship that when he died they all sorrowed that he had passed away.

The action of the court in Lancaster yesterday was a notable tribute to the dead Bishop. The lawyer of whose motion the court adjourned, and the lawyers who seconded the motion and the judge who granted the motion are all native South Carolinians and thorough-going Democrats, and in their desire to honor the memory of a negro Bishop they spoke as they were moved by the natural promptings of their hearts. They were not hunting for the negro vote or trying to corner the delegates at a nominating convention.

Judging from reports in the Charlotte Observer, Mr. Newell, the Republican candidate for Congress in the 9th district, is more than a match for his opponent, Mr. Webb. He got Mr. Webb on the run several days ago at Hickory, by making Webb's speech and answering it before Mr. Webb had a chance to make his speech, and Mr. Newell kept him on the run as long as Webb staid on the stump. Mr. Webb's only answer was personal abuse of his opponent. Mr. Newell is a gentleman and a scholar and will make a fine representative if elected.

### SAVES TWO FROM DEATH

"Our little daughter had an almost fatal attack of whooping cough and bronchitis," writes Mr. W. K. Haviland, of Armonk, N. Y., but when all other remedies failed, we saved her life with Dr. King's New Discovery. Our niece, who had consumption in an advanced stage, also used this wonderful medicine and to-day she is perfectly well." Desperate throat and lung diseases yield to Dr. King's New Discovery as to no other medicine on earth. Infallible for coughs and colds. 50c and \$1.00 bottles guaranteed by all druggists. Trial bottles free.

Have you registered? If not you should do so at once. This week is your last chance.

### BROKE INTO HIS HOUSE.

S. Le Quinn, of Cavendish, Vt., was robbed of his customary health by invasion of chronic constipation.

When Dr. King's New Life Pill broke into his house, his trouble was arrested and now he's entirely cured. They're guaranteed to cure,

### AN ADDRESS

To the Voters of the State, by Chairman Shuford and Other Prominent Citizens.

To the Voters of North Carolina:

More than a century ago, Thomas Jefferson, the greatest statesman, in our judgment, this world has produced, enunciated certain fundamental principles on which all free, popular governments should rest; and the highest tribute that can be paid to his magnificent statesmanship, far-seeing wisdom and inspired knowledge of the science of free government, is that the glorious principles of Democracy, wherein "equal and exact justice to all men," is one of the chief corner stones of his creed, are as applicable to a just and proper solution of the evil political conditions existing today as when the immortal statesman gave them to our nation and the world.

Having a firm and unfaltering faith in the ultimate triumph of these principles, and believing them to be absolutely essential to the preservation and perpetuity of free institutions; and in view of the fact that William J. Bryan, for eight years the recognized leader of the Democratic party, was ignored and deposed as the leader at the St. Louis national convention, when the party repudiated Jeffersonian Democracy and nominated the candidate of Wall Street (as Mr. Bryan declares him to be), it behoves those who are unwilling to sacrifice their principles and stifle their political convictions to join with the party that still bravely and fearlessly upholds the true principles of Jefferson and Bryan; and to that end we earnestly invite and urge all men who love principles better than party or self to begin at once the organization of People's party clubs for the dissemination of literature and the discussion of the true principles on which our government was established.

Since the party of Bryan has betrayed the great trust confided to it by the people, in the repudiation of those principles which secured six and a half million voters, the People's party, with renewed energy, vigor and courage, has come to the front to battle for the principles of Jefferson, and now holds aloft the banner, so recently held by William J. Bryan, and appeals to the men who so loyally supported him two campaigns, to rally to the People's party standard—the only party that now truly represents the millions in this country who are suffering in consequence of the unjust and unequal conditions brought about by trust domination and the concentration of the wealth of the country in the hands of the few. To change these conditions and restore this great government to the people to whom it properly belongs, we believe it to be the earnest hope and patriotic desire of all men who love Justice, Liberty and Equality of all men before the law.

The Observer is requested to publish the following:

Elizabeth City, N. C., Oct. 14, '04.  
Hon. Thomas S. Rollins, Chairman, Republican State Executive Committee, Greensboro, N. C.

My Dear Mr. Rollins:

In a public speech addressed to my fellow-citizens at Clinton, Sampson county, N. C., on Tuesday, October 4th, 1904, I took occasion to step out of the record and remarked as follows:

My fellow citizens, Hon. R. B. Glenn, the Democratic candidate for Governor of North Carolina has seen fit, for reasons best known to himself, to malign the President of the United States through the medium of misquoting him, thereby misleading the people of North Carolina. Mr. Glenn said, as I understand, the President said, "There is a strain of coarse brutality running through the blood of the Southern people."

"Now my fellow-citizens, what the President said vastly differs from what Mr. Glenn claims he said. I hold in my hand a book from which Mr. Glenn quoted the President. Said book is entitled "Thomas H. Benton, by Roosevelt," and is one of 32 volumes in the "American Statesmen."

The people of Rome, Greece, Babylon, Persia and Egypt lost their liberties when all the wealth of those countries became concentrated in the hands of the few, and to prevent the "sordid despotism of wealth," and the "communism of pelt" from wrecking and destroying our nation it behoves all men who are "united by power, unbridled by gain," to unite with the Peoples party in the coming political contest.

From neither of the old parties are on the side of the Trusts, Monopolists and Combinations; both of them are on the side of corporate greed and pampered wealth. This nation, where Liberty, Justice and Equality of opportunity are supposed to be guaranteed to all men, has no need for two Republican parties—two parties serving Monopoly and Mammon, hence the need for a party to champion and defend the rights of the "forgotten man."

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According to Mr. Glenn, an uninformed citizen would gather the idea that President Roosevelt made this statement but yesterday, in speaking of a condition which exists in the Southern States TODAY, whereas, the truth is, the statement was made by Mr. Roosevelt as far back as 1886, and referred to a period in the national history as far back as 1833. Now I submit in all fairness if slavery was right, then Mr. Roosevelt was wrong; if slavery was wrong then Mr. Roosevelt was right. Is there a man in this audience or in the State of North Carolina who has the nerve to stand up and face me and say, with his hand on his heart, and his conscience towards God, that slavery was right? I would like to see the color of the man's hair who has the nerve, in this enlightened age, to stand for such a sentiment.

"Viewing the situation in all of its details, as I see it, but one of two things can be true; Mr. Glenn either misquoted the President through a misapprehension of what the President had said, or he did it with the intent to mislead the people, and the extenuating circumstance consists in giving Mr. Glenn the benefit of the doubt, and to my mind the doubt is not worth the claiming."

"My fellow-citizens, I will give \$500 for an opportunity of facing Mr. Glenn in a crowded hall filled with intelligent North Carolinians, and discuss with him what I determine to be an unfair attack upon the President of the United States,

on account of an opposition Senate, therefore, every man who loves Jeffersonian principles, sound, safe and economic government where "equal and exact justice" shall prevail, should rally to the support of the Hon. Thomas E. Watson, the brilliant orator, patriot and statesman, uncompromising lover of justice, historian of national fame, and author of the law creating and establishing the Rural Free Delivery Mail System, which is a great blessing to millions throughout our country."

"The statement of mine with respect to the five hundred dollar proposition was given to the press of North Carolina in a spirit of ridicule. On October 7th, 1904, I chanced to meet Mr. Glenn in the dining room of the Benbow Hotel, in Greensboro, N. C., and he at once said, to quote: "You must have a very lucrative office to be offering \$500 for the opportunity of meeting me in joint debate. Give me the money and you shall be accommodated." I treated the challenge as jocular. But in an hour or so thereafter Mr. Glenn came into the Federal court house and in the presence of several gentlemen, and in a twisting manner, said to me, "Where is that \$500? I want it, and need it, and hope it is forthcoming. Let it be and you shall be accommodated." I said, "Very well, sir," and immediately retired from the court house and prepared the following communication to Mr. Glenn, which speaks for itself:

"GREENSBORO, N. C., Oct. 7, '04.  
"Honorable R. B. Glenn,  
Greensboro, N. C.  
"My Dear Mr. Glenn:

"I stated last Tuesday in a public speech at Clinton, N. C., that I would give \$500 for an opportunity of a joint debate with you upon the issues of this campaign, and especially upon the issue of your quotation, from the President's book—"Life of Benton." You said to me this morning in the court house in Greensboro, N. C., in the presence of several gentlemen, that if I would give you the money you would accord me the privilege of a joint discussion.

"I herewith hand you my certified check in the sum of \$500 as evidence of my good faith in this transaction. I would thank you to notify me immediately where your next appointment is, that I may meet you and go with you through the remaining days of the campaign.

"This proposition is made with the distinct understanding that you cancel none of your dates, but that you will guarantee to show up at each place as advertised, during this campaign.

"With best wishes, I beg to remain,

"Sincerely yours,  
I. M. MEEKINS."

MR. MEEKINS' STATEMENT.

HIS EFFORT TO MEET MR. GLENN THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

IN AN OPEN LETTER TO CHAIRMAN ROLLINS, DESCRIBES HIS OFFER OF \$500 FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF MEETING THE DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE ON THE STUMP--MR. GLENN'S REFERENCE TO THE ROOSEVELT WRITINGS THE POINT OF ISSUE--HE WISHES THE PUBLIC TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT OCCURRED.

THE OBSERVER IS REQUESTED TO PUBLISH THE FOLLOWING:

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., OCT. 14, '04.  
HON. THOMAS S. ROLLINS, CHAIRMAN, REPUBLICAN STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

MY DEAR MR. ROLLINS:

IN A PUBLIC SPEECH ADDRESSED TO MY FELLOW-CITIZENS AT CLINTON, SAMPSON COUNTY, N. C., ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 1904, I TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO STEP OUT OF THE RECORD AND REMARKED AS FOLLOWS:

MY FELLOW CITIZENS, HON. R. B. GLENN, THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA HAS SEEN FIT, FOR REASONS BEST KNOWN TO HIMSELF, TO MALIGN THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES THROUGH THE MEDIUM OF MISQUOTING HIM, THEREBY MISLEADING THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA. MR. GLENN SAID, AS I UNDERSTAND, THE PRESIDENT SAID, "THERE IS A STRAIN OF COARSE BRUTALITY RUNNING THROUGH THE BLOOD OF THE SOUTHERN PEOPLE."

"NOW MY FELLOW CITIZENS, WHAT THE PRESIDENT SAID VASTLY DIFFERS FROM WHAT MR. GLENN CLAIMS HE SAID. I HOLD IN MY HAND A BOOK FROM WHICH MR. GLENN QUOTED THE PRESIDENT. SAID BOOK IS ENTITLED "THOMAS H. BENTON, BY ROOSEVELT," AND IS ONE OF 32 VOLUMES IN THE "AMERICAN STATESMEN."

THE PEOPLE OF ROME, GREECE, BABYLON, PERSIA AND EGYPT LOST THEIR LIBERTIES WHEN ALL THE WEALTH OF THOSE COUNTRIES BECAME CONCENTRATED IN THE HANDS OF THE FEW, AND TO PREVENT THE "SORDID DESPOTISM OF WEALTH," AND THE "COMMUNISM OF PELT" FROM WRECKING AND DESTROYING OUR NATION IT BEHOVES ALL MEN WHO ARE "UNITED BY POWER, UNBRIDLED BY GAIN," TO UNITE WITH THE PEOPLES PARTY IN THE COMING POLITICAL CONTEST.

ACCORDING TO MR. GLENN, AN UNINFORMED CITIZEN WOULD GATHER THE IDEA THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT MADE THIS STATEMENT BUT YESTERDAY, IN SPEAKING OF A CONDITION WHICH EXISTS IN THE SOUTHERN STATES TODAY, WHEREAS, THE TRUTH IS, THE STATEMENT WAS MADE BY MR. ROOSEVELT AS FAR BACK AS 1886, AND REFERRED TO A PERIOD IN THE NATIONAL HISTORY AS FAR BACK AS 1833.

NOW I SUBMIT IN ALL FAIRNESS IF SLAVERY WAS RIGHT, THEN MR. ROOSEVELT WAS WRONG; IF SLAVERY WAS WRONG THEN MR. ROOSEVELT WAS RIGHT. IS THERE A MAN IN THIS AUDIENCE OR IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA WHO HAS THE NERVE TO STAND UP AND FACE ME AND SAY, WITH HIS HAND ON HIS HEART, AND HIS CONSCIENCE TOWARDS GOD, THAT SLAVERY WAS RIGHT? I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE COLOR OF THE MAN'S HAIR WHO HAS THE NERVE, IN THIS ENLIGHTENED AGE, TO STAND FOR SUCH A SENTIMENT.

"VIEWING THE SITUATION IN ALL OF ITS DETAILS, AS I SEE IT, BUT ONE OF TWO THINGS CAN BE TRUE; MR. GLENN EITHER MISQUOTED THE PRESIDENT THROUGH A MISAPPREHENSION OF WHAT THE PRESIDENT HAD SAID, OR HE DID IT WITH THE INTENT TO MISLEAD THE PEOPLE, AND THE EXPLAINING CIRCUMSTANCE CONSISTS IN GIVING MR. GLENN THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT, AND TO MY MIND THE DOUBT IS NOT WORTH THE CLAIMING."

"MY FELLOW CITIZENS, I WILL GIVE \$500 FOR AN OPPORTUNITY OF FACING MR. GLENN IN A CROWDED HALL FILLED WITH INTELLIGENT NORTH CAROLINIANS, AND DISCUSS WITH HIM WHAT I DETERMINE TO BE AN UNFAIR ATTACK UPON THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

WHICH SHOULD A DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENT BE ELECTED HE CAN ACCOMPLISH NOTH-

ING, ON ACCOUNT OF AN OPPOSITION SENATE, THEREFORE, EVERY MAN WHO LOVES JEFFERSONIAN PRINCIPLES, SOUND, SAFE AND ECONOMIC GOVERNMENT WHERE "EQUAL AND EXACT JUSTICE" SHALL PREVAIL, SHOULD RALLY TO THE SUPPORT OF THE HON. THOMAS E. WATSON, THE BRILLIANT ORATOR, PATRIOT AND STATESMAN, UNCOMPROMISING LOVER OF JUSTICE

**N**OW.—The following article has been widely published and is one of the most remarkable illustrations of the value of careful marshalling and analysis of facts in presenting a subject to the public.

#### LEVELERS.

The Mission of Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee.

The Creator made all things, we believe.

If so, He must have made these. We know what He made food and water for, and air and sunshine, but why Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee?

They are here enough and each performing its work.

There must be some great plan behind it all; the thoughtful man seeks to understand something of that plan and thereby to judge these articles for their true worth.

Let us say "bad" or "good" without taking testimony.

There are times and conditions when it certainly seems to the casual observer that these stimulant narcotics are real blessings.

Right there is the ambush that conceals a "killing" enemy.

One can slip into the habit of either whisky, tobacco or coffee easy enough, but to "unhang" is often a fearful struggle.

It seems plain that there are circumstances when the narcotic effect of these poisons is for the moment beneficial, but the fearful argument against them is that seldom ever does one find a steady user of either whisky, coffee or tobacco free from disease of some kind.

Certainly powerful elements in their effect on the human race.

It is a matter of daily history testified to by literally millions of people, that Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee are smiling, promising, beguiling friends on the start, but always false as hell itself in the end. Once they get firm hold enough to show their strength, they insist upon governing and drive the victim steadily towards ill health in some form; if permitted to continue to rule, they will not let up until physical and mental ruin sets in.

A man under that spell (and "under the spell" is correct), of any one of these drugs, frequently assures himself and his friends, "Why, I can leave off any time I want to. I did quit for a week just to show I could." It is a sure mark of the slave when one gets to that stage. He wriggled through a week fighting every day to break the spell, was finally whipped, and began his slavery all over again.

The slave (Coffee slave as well as Tobacco and Whisky) daily reviews his condition, sees perfectly plain the steady encroachments of disease, how the nerves get weaker day by day and demand the drug that seems to smile and offer relief for a few minutes and then leave the diseased condition plainer to view than ever and growing worse. Many times the Coffee slave realizes that he is between two fires. He feels bad if he leaves off, and a little worse if he drinks and allows the effect to wear off.

So it goes on from day to day. Every night the struggling victim promises himself that he will break the habit next day when he feels a little bad (as he is quite sure to), breaks, not the habit, but his own resolution. It is nearly always a tough fight, with disaster ahead sure if the habit wins.

There have been hundreds of thousands of people driven to their graves through disease brought on by coffee drinking alone, and it is quite certain that more human misery is caused by coffee and tobacco than by whisky, for the two first are more widely used, and more hidden and insidious in the effect on nerves, heart and other vital organs, and are thus unsuspected until much of the dangerous work is done.

Now, Reader, what is your opinion as to the real use the Creator has for these things? Take a look at the question from this point of view.

There is a law of Nature and of Nature's God that things slowly evolve from lower planes to higher, a sturdy, steady and dignified advance toward more perfect things in both the Physical and Spiritual world. The ponderous tread of evolutionary development is fixed by the Infinite and will not be quickened out of natural law by any of man's methods.

Therefore we see many illustrations showing how nature checks too rapid advance. Illinois raises phenomenal crops of corn for two or three years. If she continued to do so every year her farmers would advance in wealth far beyond those of other sections of countries. So Nature interposes a bar every three or four years and brings on a "bad year."

Here we see the leveling influence at work.

A man is prosperous in his business for a number of years and grows rich. Then Nature sets the "leveling influence" at work on him. Some of his investments lose, he becomes luxuriant and lazy. Perhaps it is whisky, tobacco, coffee, women, gambling, or some other form. The intent and purpose is to level him. Keep him from evolving too far ahead of the masses.

A nation becomes prosperous and great like ancient Rome. If no leveling influence set in she would dominate the world perhaps for all time. But Dame Nature sets her army of "levelers" at work. Luxury, over eating and drinking, licentiousness, waste and extravagance, indulgences of all kinds, then comes the wreck. Sure, Sure.

The law of the unit is the law of the mass. Man goes through the same process. Weakness (in childhood, general growth of strength, energy, thrift, probity, prosperity, wealth, comfort, ease, relaxation, self-indulgence, luxury, idleness, waste, debauchery, disease, and the wreck follows. The "levelers" are in the bushes along the pathway of every successful man and woman and they bag the majority.

Now and then can a man stand out against these "levelers" and hold his fortune, fame and health to the end.

So the Creator has use for Whisky, Tobacco and Coffee to level down the successful ones and those who show signs of being successful, and keep them back in the race, so that the great "field" (the masses) may not be left too far behind.

And yet we must admit that same all

wise Creator has placed it in the power of man to stand upright, clothed in the armor of a clean cut, steady mind and say unto himself, "I decline to exchange my birthright for a mess of potage."

"I will not deaden my senses, weaken in my grip on affairs and keep myself cheap, common and behind in fortune and fame by drugging with whisky, tobacco or coffee; life is too short. It is hard enough to win the good things, without any sort of handicap, so a man is certainly a 'fool trader' when he trades strength, health, money, and the good things that come with power, for the half-asleep condition of the 'dragger' with the certainty of sickness and disease ahead."

It is a matter each individual must decide for himself. He can be a leader and semi-god if he will, or he can go along through life a drugged clown, a cheap "hewer of wood or carrier of water."

Certain it is that while the Great Father of us all does not seem to "mind" if some of His children are foolish and stupid, He seems to select others (perhaps those He intends for some special work) and allows them to be threshed and castigated most fearfully by these "levelers."

If a man tries flitting with these levelers awhile, and gets a few slaps as a hint, he had better take the hint or a good solid blow will follow.

When a man tries to live upright, clean, thrifty, sober, and undrugged, manifesting as near as he knows what the Creator intends he should, happiness, health and peace seem to come to him. Does it pay?

This article was written to set people thinking, to rouse the "God within," for every highly organized man and woman has times when they feel a something calling from within for them to press "to the front and 'be about the Father's business,' don't mistake it; the spark of the Infinite is there and it pays in every way, health, happiness, peace, and even worldly prosperity, to break off the habits and strip clean for the work cut out for us.

It has been the business of the writer to provide a practical and easy way for people to break away from the coffee habit and be assured of a return to health and all of the good things that brings, provided the abuse has not gone too far, and even then the cases where the body has been rebuilt on a basis of strength and health run into the thousands.

It is an easy and comfortable step to stop coffee instantly by having well-made Postum. Food Coffee served rich and hot with good cream, for the color and flavor is there, but none of the caffeine or other nerve destroying elements of ordinary coffee.

On the contrary, the most powerful rebuilding elements furnished by Nature are in Postum and they quickly set about repairing the damage. Soon after the opening of the court it was announced that W. O. Durrette, an important witness for the Commonwealth, was absent from the city. Captain Micael Woods, who is assisting the prosecution, said that Mr. Durrette was an essential witness. It was stated that Mr. Durrette, when last heard from was in Honeceter, W. Va. Mr. Lee, of counsel for the defense, stated that they were anxious to go on with the case and that if Captain Woods cared to disclose what he expected to prove by Mr. Durrette he thought it very probable the defense would agree to admit. Captain Woods did not make this disclosure, but said that he had sent several telegrams after the witness and would like a little time to ascertain the result of these messages. Without disposing of the question, the court took a recess until afternoon.

A large crowd was in attendance in the court room when the case was called. The special venire from Petersburg, from which a jury will be drawn to try the case, was present. Mr. McCue, when he came into court, was affectionately greeted by his children, all of whom were present except Samuel. His youngest daughter cried bitterly while seated in her father's lap.

Comment was made on the fact that Mrs. Durrette, the chief witness, should have gone to Roanoke, where the children of the accused were taken several weeks ago, from which city they returned. The afternoon session of the court was consumed in the examination of the city police force of Petersburg, and out of the fifty only nine jurors were obtained. A number of the Petersburgers declared that they would not convict on circumstantial evidence. At the conclusion of the session the city sergeant of Charlotteville left hurriedly for Richmond, where he will submit fifty more veniremen to serve in these cases.

The striking feature of the trial was the fact that several of McCue's brothers, who were in the court room with him, kissed him a number of times. The prisoner is said to have gone to jail this evening whistling a tune.

Resides Missionary Presidency.

Des Moines, Iowa, Special.—Rev. Washington Gladden, of Columbus, Ohio, resigned the presidency of the American Mission Society, perhaps the greatest home missionary organization in the country. The new duties of moderator of the Congregational National Council forced Mr. Gladden to give up the less important office.

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This woman across the sea;  
And she loved a man, ay, she loved a man.  
As of old a true Messian can.  
But the frown of fate was on her plan.  
This woman across the sea.

O. the days were long that he called her sweet.  
This woman across the sea;  
And he loved the dust at his very feet.  
This woman across the sea;  
For his skin was fair and his eyes were blue.  
And he laughed in his carelessness, soldiery  
way.  
And told her tales, as soldiers may.  
This woman across the sea.

No priest came there to bless her love.  
This woman across the sea;  
She thought him true as the stars above.  
This woman across the sea;  
The sun had waited long, but he had come.  
But he came to his child a mother-song.  
And worked and toiled and thought no wrong.  
This woman across the sea.

This woman across the sea;

O. the man she loved forgot her name,

This woman across the sea;

For her face, forgot her shame.

This woman across the sea;

He mate with one of his fair-faced men.

He bound to her with ties that bind—  
He laughs at the one that he left behind.

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Charlotteville, Va., Special.—The

case of former Mayor McCue, accused of wife murder was called for trial Tuesday.

Soon after the opening of the court it was announced that W. O. Durrette, an important witness for the Commonwealth, was absent from the city. Captain Micael Woods, who is assisting the prosecution, said that Mr. Durrette was an essential witness. It was stated that Mr. Durrette, when last heard from was in Honeceter, W. Va.

Mr. Lee, of counsel for the defense, stated that they were anxious to go on with the case and that if Captain Woods cared to disclose what he expected to prove by Mr. Durrette he thought it very probable the defense would agree to admit.

Captain Woods did not make this disclosure, but said that he had sent several telegrams after the witness and would like a little time to ascertain the result of these messages.

Without disposing of the question, the court took a recess until afternoon.

A large crowd was in attendance in the court room when the case was called.

The special venire from Petersburg, from which a jury will be drawn to try the case, was present. Mr. McCue, when he came into court, was affectionately greeted by his children, all of whom were present except Samuel. His youngest daughter cried bitterly while seated in her father's lap.

Comment was made on the fact that Mrs. Durrette, the chief witness, should have gone to Roanoke, where the children of the accused were taken several weeks ago, from which city they returned.

The afternoon session of the court was consumed in the examination of the city police force of Petersburg, and out of the fifty only nine jurors were obtained. A number of the Petersburgers declared that they would not convict on circumstantial evidence.

At the conclusion of the session the city sergeant of Charlotteville left hurriedly for Richmond, where he will submit fifty more veniremen to serve in these cases.

The striking feature of the trial was the fact that several of McCue's brothers, who were in the court room with him, kissed him a number of times.

The prisoner is said to have gone to jail this evening whistling a tune.

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